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Question.

Mr. D. Manjayya Heggade.

THE REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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(a) whether the Government have ~~as yet~~ received a copy of the resolutions referred to in the above question; and

(b) if so, whether the Government intend taking any action on the same?

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Draft answer

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So far as the resolutions relating to the Revenue Department are Concerned, the Hon'ble Member is informed that the Government do not Consider that any action is called for in respect of the resolutions relating to the introduction of assessment rates and the alteration of the existing rates of Seniorage

Vide 79 (2) of Resolution pages 34 & 35 of the I (Development Dept)

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DRAFT ANSWER

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(a) whether the Government have now received a copy of the resolutions referred to in the above question; and

(b) if so, whether the Government intend taking any action on the same ?

Clause (a): Yes.

Clause (b):

The requests made in resolutions have been examined considered.

So far as the resolutions relating to the Forest Department are concerned, the Hon'ble Member is referred to the answer given to L.C. Question No.2337 asked by Mr.J.A. Saldanha.

The representation regarding existing the/rates of assessment and the reque not to enhance them will be considere when the report of the Settlement officer is received. As regards the rates charged for ~~the~~ tives growth on dar-khast land, the matter is still under examination.

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Revenue Department.

Clause (a) : Yes.

Clause (b): The requests made in the resolutions have been examined and considered.

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J.F. Hall,
Secretary.

To the Council Office.

Forwarded.
/By order/

E. D'Souza
Superintendent.

The above answer has been approved by the Hon'ble Mr. H.E. Marjoribanks, C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.

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Revenue Department

C.M.No.1429 B/26-1, dated 1.9.26

Trees - South Kanara - Darkhast lands - Valuation of trees.

The Government have received representations from the ryots of the South Kanara district complaining against the uniform application throug out the district of the revised seignorage rates sanctioned in G.O.No 2261 Spl. dated 22-12-1920 to trees on lands for which darkhasts are presented. The rates prescribed are the maxima for the different kinds of trees, and the Collector is empowered to reduce those rates generally or in particular cases. It would, however, appear that in practice the revenue inspector or the tahsildar who makes the valuation of the tree-growth mechanically applies the maximum scale in the absence of any specific orders of the Collector.

2. The Board of Revenue is requested

examine and report whether the

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tes causes hardship to darkhastdars

parts of the district and if so,

o submit a list of the localities in which

a reduction is called for and

f the reduced rates which the

ollector proposes to fix.

3. The Government would point out

at they do not contemplate any

general revision of the rates

prescribed in G.O.No.2261 Spl. dated

22-12-1920. These rates should

continue to apply to trees in Reserved

Forests and should remain the maxima

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avourably situated for marketing

e trees to which they apply.

To

The Board of Revenue, L.R. and S.

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REVENUE **DEPARTMENT.**

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Subject.

TREES - (South Kanara) - Darkhast lands - Valuation of trees - Hardship - Board's remarks offered.

ENCLOSURES
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REFERENCE No. B.158/27-1

Station Madras., *Dated the* 6th April 1927

From

W. Scott Brown Esq., I.C.S.
Secretary,

Land Revenue &
The Board of Revenue, ~~Revenue Settlement, etc.~~
~~Separate Revenue~~

~~Resolution~~
Reference.

H.A.B. Vernon Esq., I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Land Revenue.

Read letter from G.W. Wells Esq., M.A., I.C.S., Collector of South Kanara, No. Ref. C.7506/26, dated 31-12-1926

REFERENCE.

Reference:- Government Memorandum No. 1429-B/26-1, dated 1st September 1926.

The Collector who was asked to offer his remarks, reports, in consultation with the District Forest Officers and the Revenue Divisional Officers of the district, that the existing rates of seigniorage for unreserved trees and their uniform application to all parts of the district work hardship on the ryots of less favourably situated villages and suggests the following modifications in the seigniorage rates:-

Reserved trees.- The villages in the district have been vided into three groups and a separate rate has been fixed fo- ch tree and each group according to the marketing facilities of e village.- vide copy of the district circular enclosed. No hanges are called for in the rates for reserved trees.

Classified trees.- In the case of these trees, the existing ates are uniform irrespective of market facilities. The group ystem adopted for reserved trees may be adopted for classified rees also, the existing rates being made applicable only to the irst group villages with a proportionate reduction for the II nd III group villages - vide list of revised rates enclosed.

Nux-vomica.- This tree has been recently transferred by Government to the reserved class from unclassified and a flat rate of Rs.2 fixed for trees above 2 feet in girth. Although the tree is valuable on account of the commercial value of its seeds it is used by the ryots chiefly for ploughs or as firewood. A uniform rate of Re.1/- may be adopted or in the alternative the group system which is applicable to all other reserved trees may be extended to this tree also and the following rates prescribed.-

I group	II group.	III group.
Rs.2-0-0	Rs.1-8-0	Re.1-0-0

Sandalwood.- The rates for sandalwood trees with girths between 10' nd 18" may be reduced from Rs.6 to Rs.4 per tree the other rates being left intact.

Cinnamon.- Cinnamon plants below 6" in girth are charged at 0-4-0 per tree. These plants are, however, useless to the ryot. In places there are clusters of these small plants and it is difficult even to count them correctly. In the circumstances they may either be made over free or treated as scrub jungle. For plants above 6" in girth the present rates may be continued.

Firewood.- Firewood is now charged at a flat rate of 0-0-6 per head load. It may also be brought under the group system as shown in the enclosed list.

Scrub jungle.- Scrub jungle, unclassified trees under 2 feet in girth and classified and reserved trees under 6"

in girth suitable only for firewood are valued according to the average height of the growth and the area covered by it. The group system may be introduced here also and the following rate charged.-

	Ist group	II group	III group
up to 3'	0-8-0	0-7-0	0-6-0
3' to 5'	1-0-0	0-13-0	0-10-0
5' to 7'	2-0-0	1-10-0	1-4-0
Above 7'	3-0-0	2-8-0	2-0-0

2. The Board agrees with the Collector in considering that the existing seigniorage rates work hardship on the ryots of less favourably situated villages and is of opinion that the modifications suggested by the Collector will serve the object aimed at, and accordingly supports his proposals.

3. The Chief Conservator of Forests, whom the Board has consulted, also approves of the Collector's suggestions.

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Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department with a notification in original and a copy of the revised list of rates.

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List showing the rates of Seigniorage proposed for classified trees

Names of trees			I Group	II Group	III Group	Remarks
Botanical	English	Local	Rate per C.ft in rough or unsquared	Rate per C.ft in rough or unsquared	Rate per C.ft in rough or unsquared	
Timber trees Class I						
Terminalia Tomentosa		Banagadi or Matti				
Calophyllum wightianum		Kallehonne	0-8-0	0-6-0	0-4-0	
Vitex Altissima or Pubescens		Megisle				
Largestroemia Microcarpa	Banteak	Bolandu or Belimandi				
Terminalia Paniculata		Maruva or Honnagale	0-3-0	0-2-6	0-2-0	
Cedrella Toona Eugenia Jambolana	Red Cedar	Kempu Jambhagiri				
Class II		Silikepu				
Lagerstraemia Flos Reginae		Lohalla				
Albizzia Lebbek		Putibagi	0-1-6	0-1-3	0-1-0	
-do- Odoratissima		Kalbagi				
-do- Procera		Adhanje				
Class III						
Artocarpus Lakoocha		watehuli				
Adina Cordifolia		Arave	0-1-0	0-0-9	0-0-6	
Vateria Indica		Dhupa				
Cocos Nucifera	Cocoanut	Thengina-mara	Rs 3 per tree with 5 ft stem	2-8-0	2-0-0	
Borassus Flabelliformis	Palmyra	Thalimara	Rs 3 per tree	2-8-0	2-0-0	
Caryota Urens		Byni	Rs 2 per tree	1-8-0	1-0-0	
Areca catechu	Areca palm	Hangu Adike	As 4 per tree with 5 ft stem	0-3-0	0-2-0	
Fuel						
Firewood or posts			Per head load	0-0-6	0-0-4	0-0-3
			(1) Cart load (1 Bullock)	0-6-0	0-5-0	0-4-0
			(1 Cart load (2 Bullocks)	0-12-0	0-10-0	0-8-0
			Per boat load full cargo	2-4-0	1-14-0	1-8-0

Reg. No. 542—M.

FOREST SUPPLEMENT

TO THE

SOUTH KANARA DISTRICT GAZETTE

No. 6.] JULY 25, 1921.

CIRCULAR.

In supersession of all orders and circulars on the subject of the collection and credit of revenue from trees on kumaki and unreserved lands the control over which has been transferred to the Revenue Department in Board's Proceedings Forest No. 69, dated 14th March 1906, the Collector of South Kanara resolves to issue the following instructions for the guidance of Tahsildars, Range officers and other Revenue and Forest subordinates to take effect from the 15th March 1921, the date on which the new revised rates for classified trees were published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

1. In accordance with instructions in Board's Proceedings Forest No. 268, dated 5th July 1897, and No. 502, dated 15th October 1898, all Government revenue derived from trees situated on unreserved lands should be credited to "Forests" except (*a*) revenue realized on trees held on tree patta and (*b*) revenue derived from trees under the control of the Local Fund or Public Works Department.

The former of these will, as heretofore, be credited to "Land Revenue" and the latter to the department having control over the trees.

2. The items of revenue to be credited to "Forests" may be classified as follows :—

I. Sale-proceeds of withered trees and windfalls on unreserved lands and of reserved trees on kumaki lands other than those held on tree patta.

II. Sale-proceeds of the usufruct of fruit trees on unreserved and kumaki lands.

(*Note*)—Kumakidars can continue to enjoy the usufruct of their fruit trees for their own domestic or agricultural purposes free of charge, but it cannot be sold by them.)

III. Sale-proceeds of the usufruct of toddy-yielding trees.

IV. Value of trees on lands assigned on darkhast.

V. Kumeri rents.

VI. Rents derived from lease of the right to gather produce (to be advertised in the district gazette) from all unreserved lands including poramboke lands and kumaki lands when the kumakidar is willing to dispose of it to the minor forest produce lessee.

VII. Sale of permits.

As regards all the above items of revenue, the work of bringing the entire demand to account and of collecting the same will be left entirely in the hands of the Land Revenue officers. The procedure to be followed in each is detailed below :—

(1) *Sale-proceeds of withered trees and windfalls on unreserved lands.*—

(*1*) It will be incumbent on the village officers to submit, without delay, to the Tahsildar a report of the existence of such wood within the limits of their villages in the form given below :—

Report of dead and wind fallen wood in the village of taluk

Number and name of village	Survey number.	Species and description of wood.	Girth in feet and inches at a height of 4 feet from ground.	Quantity in head or cart load.

Station

Date

Signature of the Potail.

(2) On receipt of this report, the Tahsildar will, without delay, fill in the details in Form A prescribed in Board's Proceedings Forest No. 268, dated 5th July 1897, and order the Revenue Inspector concerned to conduct the sale and submit the sale list to the Tahsildar. The dimensions

and cubical contents of timber trees should be noted on the sale lists submitted. If the Revenue Inspector be unable to conduct the sale in person, he may ask the Tahsildar to order the potail concerned to conduct the sale in conjunction with the potail of another village (to be specified by the Tahsildar) and submit the sale list to the Revenue Inspector who will forward it to the Tahsildar, but this can only be done in the case of a tree or branch of an estimatad value less than Rs. 2. As the sale in auction of windfalls and dead trees and the produce of live trees by Revenue Inspectors after obtaining the sanction of the Tahsildar is likely to cause much delay and even loss to Government in certain cases, Revenue Inspectors are authorized to conduct auction sales in those cases without previous sanction of the Tahsildar, provided the estimated value in each case is not more than Rs. 10. A report should be made to the Tahsildar immediately after such sales with the sale list.

(3) The amount of the sale-proceeds should be collected by the potail on the spot and remitted into the treasury, but the produce should not be removed until receipt of order from the Tahsildar confirming the sale. The sale list should be submitted with the original order and with a counterfoil in Form B prescribed in B.P. Forest No. 268, dated 5th July 1897, to the Tahsildar. If the sale is not confirmed a refund of the sale-proceeds, if already credited to the Treasury will be applied for.

(4) The Tahsildar should submit the sale lists when the valuation exceeds Rs. 50 for the confirmation of the District Forest Officer who will return it to the Tahsildar after confirmation or otherwise as he deems fit.

Tahsildars and Deputy Tahsildars are authorized to confirm all sales where the valuation does not exceed Rs. 50, but must insist on full particulars regarding class and girth of each tree and its estimated quantity in cart loads or head loads being given in Form B before confirmation.

(II) *Sale-proceeds of usufruct of fruit trees, etc.*—(*a*) The instructions given above under sale-proceeds of withered trees and windfalls apply to this item also mutatis mutandis. Tahsildars are however competent to sanction all sales of usufruct on their own authority except in valuable topes especially placed under the control of the Forest Department.

(*b*) As the auctioning, leasing, etc., will be left entirely in the hands of the revenue authorities, the Tahsildars are held responsible for seeing that they auction the usufruct at the proper season.

(III) *Sales of the usufruct of toddy-yielding trees.*—(i) The right to tap and enjoy the usufruct of toddy-yielding trees will be granted in accordance with the instructions in the notifications issued from time to time in the Abkari branch of the Collector's office. The annual rate of tree owner's fees on Government palm trees to be collected is at present as follows :—

	A.	P.	
For each coconut tree or sago tree	4	0	
For each palmyra tree or date tree	4	0	(D. Dis. No. 3611, Rev., dated 31st December 1917.)
For each dadsal tree	2	0	

Half the above amounts are payable for the half-year only in respect of coconut and sago trees.

(ii) The following rules embodied in B.P. Forest No. 70, dated 21st February 1902, should however be invariably observed :—

(*a*) All applications to tap trees in villages in which there are Government trees fit for tapping will be required to submit their applications (T.T. 6) in triplicate and in respect of the trees entered in the applications as belonging to Government to pay the tree owner's fees in advance along with the tree-tax.

(*b*) The tree owner's fees will in the first instance be credited to the single head "Forests" whether it appertains to the Forest, Public Works or Local Fund Department.

(*c*) When the applications are presented in the taluk office the duplicates of the (T.T. 6) will be compared with the originals and retained in that office, so that subject to verification by village officers they may form the basis of the demand of tree owner's fees.

(*d*) When the tax and fee are paid to an officer of the Abkari Department or to a village officer the recipient will after comparing the duplicates with the original applications transmit the forms to the taluk offices concerned. The Abkari officers should also forward to the Tahsildar concerned advices of the payment of the tree owner's fees and village officers will note the collection of the fees in a separate column in their daily cash chitta and remittance list.

(*e*) Tahsildars receiving duplicates of (T.T. 6) applications will have the particulars of Government trees and the fee paid noted in a special demand and collection account to be maintained in the form noted below and will thereupon forward the duplicate to the village officers for the verification of the applicant's classification of trees and for information as to the department to which the Government trees belong.

Register of demand and collection of the fixed fees for using Government and Local Fund toddy-yielding trees for tapping.

Serial number.	Name of applicant.	Village to which the trees belong.	Survey number of the field in which the trees stand.	Department to which the trees belong.	Number of trees to be tapped.				Fees payable.	Fees paid.		Remarks.
					Coconut.	Palmyra.	Date.	Sago.		Date.	Amount.	